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TOP CORN, SOYBEAN AND WHEAT COUNTIES

Indiana's leading counties in the production of corn, soybeans and wheat during 2010 were Jasper County for corn, Montgomery County for soybeans, and Gibson County for winter wheat. Jasper County produced a total of 26.0 million bushels of corn, making it the number one corn producing county. White took second place, followed by Benton, Montgomery, and Clinton counties.

Montgomery County remained in the number one slot for soybeans, by producing 6.2 million bushels during 2010. Benton and Clinton counties captured the second and third place spots, respectively.

Rush placed in fourth position, followed by Knox.

Gibson County moved up to the number one position in winter wheat production during 2010 with 736 thousand bushels. Allen County moved to second place, while Posey County moved down to third place. Jay County moved up to fourth position, while Adams County retained its fifth position.

The preceding information is part of the results of the County Agriculture and Production Survey which was conducted last fall after harvest. For further results from this survey,

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LEADING INDIANA COUNTIES IN PRODUCTION OF CORN, SOYBEANS AND WHEAT

Rank	2010 Crop					
	Corn		Soybeans		Winter Wheat	
	County	Production	County	Production	County	Production
		1,000 Bu		1,000 Bu		1,000 Bu
1	Jasper	25,995	Montgomery	6,247	Gibson	736
2	White	25,890	Benton	5,679	Allen	722
3	Benton	21,400	Clinton	5,484	Posey	705
4	Montgomery	21,050	Rush	5,425	Jay	571
5	Clinton	20,261	Knox	5,329	Adams	466
6	Knox	19,658	Grant	5,325	La Porte	460
7	La Porte	19,100	White	5,298	Randolph	398
8	Pulaski	18,401	Wells	5,149	Knox	389
9	Tippecanoe	18,352	Boone	5,129	Whitley	377
10	Newton	17,890	Randolph	5,095	De Kalb	330

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JANUARY EGG PRODUCTION UP 1 PERCENT

Indiana's laying flocks produced 555 million eggs during January 2011, up one percent from a year ago. The average number of layers on hand at 23.8 million, was up one percent from last month and up slightly from last year. The rate of lay, at 2,333 eggs per 100 layers, was up slightly from last year.

United States egg production totaled 7.83 billion during January 2011, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.75 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching

eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 70 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2011 averaged 342 million, up slightly from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,289 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2010. Egg-type chicks hatched during January 2011 totaled 41.4 million, up 7 percent from January 2010. Eggs in incubators totaled 39.7 million on February 1, 2011, up 1 percent from a year ago.

EGG PRODUCTION, LAYERS, AND HATCHING NUMBERS INDIANA AND U.S., JANUARY 2010-2011

Item	Indiana			United States		
	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
Average Layers on Hand (thousands)	23,712	23,788	100	340,596	342,017	100
Eggs Per 100 Layers	2,324	2,333	100	2,268	2,289	101
Total Eggs Produced (millions)	551	555	101	7,724	7,828	101
Table Eggs (millions)	538	542	101	6,637	6,745	102
Hatching Eggs (millions)	13	13	100	1,087	1,084	100
Egg-Type Chicks Hatched (thousands)	1/	1/	1/	38,794	41,366	107
Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched (thousands)	1/	1/	1/	775,615	781,123	101

1/ Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

HONEY

This data is the result of the Bee and Honey Survey which was conducted last December. Indiana honey production in 2010 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 430,000 pounds, up 49 percent from production in 2009. There were 10,000 colonies producing honey in 2010, up 11 percent from 2009. Prices for the 2010 crop averaged \$2.26 per pound, up 12 percent from the previous year. At the state level, prices reflect the portions of honey sold retail, coop and private.

Nationally, honey production in 2010 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 176 million pounds, up 20 percent from 2009. There were 2.68 million colonies producing honey in 2010, up 7 percent from 2009. Yield

per colony averaged 65.5 pounds, up 12 percent from the 58.6 pounds in 2009. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State where the honey was produced. Therefore, at the United States level yield per colony may be understated, but total production would not be impacted. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 45.3 million pounds on December 15, 2010, up 21 percent from a year earlier. Stocks held by producers exclude those held under the commodity loan program. Honey prices increased to a record high during 2010 to 160.3 cents, up 9 percent from 147.3 cents in 2009. U.S. and State level prices reflect the portions of honey sold through cooperatives, private channels, and retail.

NUMBER OF BEE COLONIES, PRODUCTION, STOCKS, AND VALUE INDIANA, SELECTED STATES, AND U.S., 2010 1/

State	Number of Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks Dec 15 2/	Average Price Per Pound 3/	Value of Production
	1,000	Pounds	1,000 Pounds		Cents	\$1,000
Illinois	9	41	369	92	305	1,125
Indiana	10	43	430	151	226	972
Iowa	27	49	1,323	463	189	2,500
Michigan	70	58	4,060	1,502	164	6,658
Ohio	17	62	1,054	327	223	2,350
Wisconsin	68	64	4,352	1,654	167	7,268
United States	2,684	65.5	175,904	45,307	160.3	281,974

1/ Includes producers with 5 or more colonies. Preliminary.

2/ Stocks held by producers.

3/ Prices weighted by sales.

NUMBER OF HIRED EASTERN CORNBELT WORKERS DOWN 19 PERCENT

The following information is the result of the Farm Labor Survey that was conducted in January 2011. Workers on farms in the Eastern Cornbelt States (Indiana, Illinois, Ohio) during the week of January 9-15, 2011 totaled 26,000. Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage hourly of \$13.00.

There were 807,000 hired workers on the Nation's farms and ranches during the week of January 9-15, 2011, up 1 percent from a year ago. Of these hired workers, 602,000 were hired directly by farm operators. Agricultural service employees on farms and ranches made up the remaining 205,000 workers.

Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$11.29 per hour during the January 2011 reference week, up 21 cents from a year earlier. Field workers received an average of \$10.23 per hour, up 13 cents from last January, while livestock workers earned \$10.52 per hour compared with \$10.31 a year earlier. The field and livestock worker combined wage rate, at \$10.35 per hour, was up 17 cents from last year. The number of hours

worked averaged 38.9 for hired workers during the survey week, up 5 percent from a year ago.

HIRED WORKERS: EASTERN CORNBELT AND UNITED STATES, JANUARY 2010-2011 ^{1/} ^{2/}

Item	Eastern Cornbelt		United States	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
	Thousands			
Hired Workers on Farms	32	26	612	602
Expected to be Employed:				
150 Days or More	27	22	524	505
149 Days or Less	5	4	88	97
	Hours			
Hours Worked Per Week	32.4	37.5	37.2	38.9
	Dollars Per Hour			
Type of Hired Worker				
Field	11.81	11.67	10.10	10.23
Livestock	10.35	11.72	10.31	10.52
Field & Livestock	11.00	11.70	10.18	10.35
Wage Rates for All Hired Workers	11.95	13.00	11.08	11.29

^{1/} Reference weeks were January 9-15 in 2011 and January 10-16 in 2010. Excludes Agricultural Service Workers. Excludes Alaska.

^{2/} Eastern Cornbelt region consists of Indiana, Illinois, and Ohio.

FEBRUARY FARM PRICES RECEIVED INDEX UP 4 POINTS

Indiana's mid-month prices for corn, soybeans, winter wheat, and all milk increased from both January and last year. Nationally, the preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in February, at 168 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 4 points (2.4 percent) from January. The Crop Index is up 12 points (6.5 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 4 points (2.9 percent). Producers received higher prices for corn,

wheat, lettuce, and milk and lower prices for strawberries, cattle, broilers, and broccoli. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of milk, cattle, broilers, and hogs offset decreased marketings of corn, soybeans, wheat, and cotton.

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS - - INDIANA AND UNITED STATES FEBRUARY 2011 WITH COMPARISONS ^{1/}

Item	Unit	Indiana			United States		
		February 2010	January 2011	February 15 2011	February 2010	January 2011	February 15 2011
		Dollars			Dollars		
Corn	Bu.	3.69	4.97	5.81	3.55	4.94	5.66
Soybeans	Bu.	9.82	11.80	12.30	9.41	11.60	12.10
Winter Wheat	Bu.	4.30	7.13	8.02	4.53	6.37	8.13
Oats	Bu.	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	2.30	3.11	3.38
All Hay ^{2/}	Ton	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	104.00	112.00	116.00
Alfalfa Hay ^{2/}	Ton	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	110.00	121.00	127.00
Other Hay ^{2/}	Ton	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	93.00	95.30	93.90
Apples ^{2/}	Lb.	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	0.289	0.297	0.285
All Hogs	Cwt.	50.10	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	48.90	55.80	61.50
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	49.70	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	48.90	56.70	62.60
Sows	Cwt.	54.10	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	49.20	47.80	50.90
All Beef Cattle	Cwt.	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	85.70	107.00	106.00
Milk Cow Replacements	Head	<u>3/</u>	1350.00	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	1300.00	<u>3/</u>
All Milk	Cwt.	17.00	17.90	18.60	15.90	16.70	18.40
Fluid Milk	Cwt.	17.00	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	15.90	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>
Manufactured Milk	Cwt.	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	14.50	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>
Table Eggs ^{2/}	Doz.	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	0.775	0.660	0.776
Turkeys ^{2/}	Lb.	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	0.491	0.564	0.572

^{1/} Entire month price is a revision of the previous published mid-month price for all items except when footnoted otherwise.

^{2/} Mid-month Price. ^{3/} Monthly estimates not published. (Monthly hog prices at the state level and monthly manufacturing grade milk prices at the state and national level have been discontinued).

INDIANA'S RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 8 PERCENT

Indiana's commercial red meat production during January 2011 totaled 149.3 million pounds, up 8 percent from a year earlier. Total live weight of the 3,600 cattle killed totaled 3.9 million pounds. Total live weight of the 705,100 hogs killed totaled 193.4 million pounds. The 2,200 sheep slaughtered during January 2011 totaled 246,000 pounds.

Nationally, commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.04 billion pounds in January, up 3 percent from the 3.92 billion pounds produced in January 2010. Beef production, at 2.12 billion pounds, was 2 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.74 million head, up 1 percent from January 2010. The average live weight was up 11 pounds from the previous year, at 1,301 pounds.

Veal production totaled 10.8 million pounds, 7 percent below January a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 71,800 head, 13 percent below January 2010. The average live weight was up 24 pounds from last year, at 262 pounds. Pork production totaled 1.90 billion pounds, 5 percent above the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.10 million head, 2 percent above January 2010. The average live weight was up 6 pounds from the previous year, at 278 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 11.2 million pounds, was 13 percent below January 2010. Sheep slaughter totaled 161,100 head, 14 percent below last year. The average live weight was 139 pounds, up 1 pound from January a year ago.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER ^{1/}

Species	Indiana		United States	
	Jan 2010	Jan 2011	Jan 2010	Jan 2011
Cattle				
Number of Head (000)	3.7	3.6	2,707.2	2,735.2
Average Live Weight (Lbs)	1,057	1,056	1,290	1,301
Total Live Weight (000 Lbs)	3,955	3,851	3,480,603	3,544,876
Calves				
Number of Head (000)	2/	2/	82.8	71.8
Average Live Weight (Lbs)	2/	2/	238	262
Total Live Weight (000 Lbs)	2/	2/	19,474	18,278
Hogs				
Number of Head (000)	682.5	705.1	8,909.7	9,103.7
Average Live Weight (Lbs)	263	275	272	278
Total Live Weight (000 Lbs)	179,232	193,446	2,417,827	2,529,725
Sheep				
Number of Head (000)	2.6	2.2	186.6	161.1
Average Live Weight (Lbs)	111	111	138	139
Total Live Weight (000 Lbs)	292	246	25,705	22,301

^{1/} Commercial red meat production includes slaughter in federally inspected plants and other plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

^{2/} Data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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